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NICD Campaign To Begin In Southeast Conference

Beginning in March the Southeast Conference will be embarking upon a fund-raising venture entitled "New Initiatives in Church Development." A national fund-raising campaign of the whole United Church of Christ, the purpose of NICD is to raise the funds necessary for redevelopment of some existing UCC churches and development of new churches in areas of new population growth.

Each of the 39 Conferences in the United Church will get to keep 1/3 of the NICD funds that they raise, with the other 2/3rds going to a pool for national distribution to new and redeveloped congregations. With the broad majority of new churches targeted for the South, the Southeast Conference will be one of the major recipients of this campaign.

But first we have to do our part! The NICD goal for Southeast Conference churches is \$50,000 to be raised during 1982 and 1983.

Special Training Meetings for the NICD Campaign have been scheduled as follows:

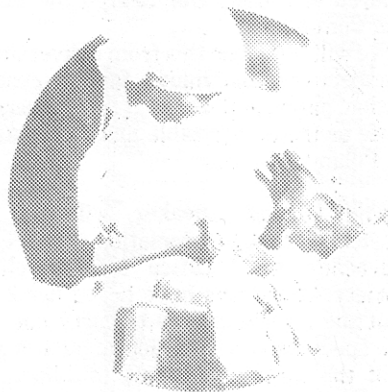
March 12 - Atlanta, GA
March 19 - Savannah, GA
March 20 - Huntsville, AL
March 27 - Lanett, AL
April 3 - Andalusia, AL

Churches will be invited by clusters to participate in NICD training.

While discretion for the method of support is always left to individual churches, the suggested means for supporting New Initiatives in Church Development will be through individual or familial rather than church contributions.

Remembering the financial assistance that we have already received in our two new church starts — Pilgrimage UCC in Marietta, GA and Button Gwinnett UCC in Lilburn, GA — and the assistance in the redevelopment of First Congregational UCC in Savannah, GA — it is appropriate that we say "thank you" through our support of New Initiatives in Church Development.

*"Lord, when did we
see you...?"*



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

OGHS Offering March 21

One Great Hour of Sharing is coming! Next month, on March 21, most churches in the UCC will be receiving this annual all-church offering.

Gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing go toward development, refugee service, and social service in overseas countries and for relief and reconstruction wherever disasters occur.

Look for the new One Great Hour of Sharing poster. It features Sister Vincina, a native of India who came to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, to help start work in the city as a "missionary of charity." The Missionaries of Charity, a Roman Catholic order founded by Mother Theresa, provides medical care for the "poorest of the poor" in Addis Ababa.

The older woman in the poster was brought in 1972 to the sisters' hospice located in a poor suburban area of the city. The woman had nowhere to live before the sisters took her in. Like many of the hospice residents, she was considered too ill to survive, but she recovered and now is in relatively good health.

Through One Great Hour of Sharing, we support the work of the sisters, such as Sister Vincina, and many other religious workers who minister throughout the year

SEC Tops OCWM Goal for 1981

Topping the Southeast Conference Board of Directors meeting, held January 30 at Chattanooga Pilgrim UCC, was the good news that the Conference surpassed its OCWM goal for 1981.

Needing \$123,037 in funds to Our Christian World Mission, conference churches contributed a total of \$128,725! Of that amount some \$33,000 was forwarded to the UCC national offices for support of the larger church.

In response to this most positive financial report, it is noted that New Church Development contributions of \$7,643 fell far short of the goal of \$21,000. It was noted, however, that this situation should be reversed with the initiative of the NICD campaign in the Southeast Conference this year.

In other financial news, it was reported that UCBHM has approved a matching grant for 1982 conference youth programming. Some \$3,000 is now available for that purpose in this program year.

NICD Campaign Endorsed

At a special meeting held January 23, 1982 in Chattanooga, TN the following endorsement of the New Initiatives in Church Development campaign was adopted.

We whose names are signed below, as ministers and members of The Southeast Conference of the United Church of Christ, express our enthusiastic support for the program of New Initiatives in Church Development. We commit ourselves to work with dedication toward the raising of at least \$50,000 in our Conference over a two-year period of 1982-83. We believe that God is now calling the United Church of Christ to answer the spiritual hunger of our nation, and especially of the South, for a fresh hearing of the Good News in Jesus Christ. We believe that the time has come and we want, as Jesus said, "To recognize God's moment when it comes."

Pilgrim Congregational UCC, Chattanooga

Dr. David Beebe and Judy C. Beebe

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CONFERENCE CORNER

DR. EMMETT FLOYD,
Conference Minister

As the record for 1981 is being closed out it is a time for rejoicing. The churches of the Southeast Conference contributed to the work of the denomination beyond the local church a total of over \$128,000 for basic support. When added to the amount given to special offerings, this totaled close to \$160,000 contributed to the work of the larger church — the largest amount in the Conference's history!

While the name we give to this all-purpose denominational support is Our Christian World Mission, we understand it covers all that we do. Slightly over 70% of what we contribute stays right here in the Southeast Conference providing aid to local churches (new and old); Christian education opportunities for lay, youth and ministers; continuing education, conference staff and conference commission programs; meetings; stewardship training, and all the things we do as a Conference to build up our churches and provide enriched Christian experiences for our people.

The remainder goes to enable ministry in this country and our work in other countries around the world. It is a significant work in every respect, and I am proud that the Southeast Conference is having an increasingly significant part in sharing this work. The day has long passed to depend on others. We can share resources, material and human, from the national church and the world church. This is a two-way street in which we want to respond as God has blessed us.

The call of Christ continues to search us out for this service. With our wealth the people of the Southeast Conference are responding with a will and a dedication that inspires me. Thank you for who you are. Thank you for what you do. May God help all of us to do even better for the sake of the great Kingdom of God.

If The World Were A Village

If the world were a village of 100 people, 70 of them would be unable to read, over 50 would be suffering from malnutrition, and over 80 would live in what we call sub-standard housing.

Of the 100 members of the global village, 6 would be Americans. These six would have one-half of the village's income and would consume one-third of the total energy resources available.

SEC Women To Hold Spring Retreat

There is to be a meeting, a women's meeting, a spring greeting and joyful retreat for the women of the Southeast Conference. The date is April 23-25, 1982.

The Spring Retreat will gather at Camp Calvin, Hampton, GA. in their new conference facilities. The theme that will guide the weekend, in all its dimensions of study, worship, singing and meeting encompasses two major concerns of our United Church of Christ: Our Search for Peace and Community.

We will reflect on this from a diversity of perspectives: individual, family, congregation, nation and world. It is a concern as close as the dinner table and as far away as Poland.

The keynote speaker will be Ms. Gretchen Eick, Association for Policy Advocacy, UCC Office for Church in Society. Those who have heard her know that she has the ability to carry one into the specifics of a situation in such a way that the foreign becomes familiar, and another's world, for a moment, becomes your own. This is a most helpful bridge of understanding.

Ms. Eick's focus will be international, while topics for other workshops will be varied. Workshops will include: Learning to Live with Less, Creative Bible Study, Community Action, Living with the Dying, Community in the Southeast Conference, and Christian Education.

It will be a good time together, rich and full. Spread the word, plan to come and bring your sisters. Registration forms will be mailed shortly to all Conference churches.

Carol Jean Delcher

Morgan-Scott Project Looks Ahead

The Morgan-Scott Project looks ahead to 1982. This past year was a great one with 7 UCC churches from around the country coming to serve in work groups and 38 others sending contributions of clothing, books, materials and money.

If your church is interested in a real outreach ministry, consider the Morgan-Scott Project. Become involved, help someone help themselves. The Project offers a variety of programs: Emergency Aid, Good Earth farming, Plateau Home School and Highland Hope School remedial education, Recreation, Libraries and Thrift Stores.

For more information, write: Mr. Robert Geyer, Director, Morgan-Scott Project, P.O. Box 800, Sunbright, TN 37872.

Conference Calendar

- March 5 - World Day of Prayer
- March 5-7 - Ala-Tenn Youth Pop-In, Chattanooga Pilgrim UCC
- March 6 - Ecclesiastical Council, Chattanooga Pilgrim UCC
- March 12 - NICD Training, Atlanta, GA
- March 13 - NICD Training, Lanett, AL
- March 19 - NICD Training, Savannah, GA
- March 20 - NICD Training, Huntsville, AL
- March 21 - NICD Training, Southern, AL
- One Great Hour of Sharing
- March 26 - Uplands Board of Directors
- March 26-28 - Stewardship Council Board of Directors
- March 27 - Ala-Tenn Executive Council and Committees, Chattanooga Pilgrim UCC
- April 4 - Palm Sunday
- April 8 - Maundy Thursday
- April 9 - Good Friday — SEC Office closed
- April 11 - Easter Sunday
- April 23-25 - SEC Women's Spring Retreat, Camp Calvin, GA
- Ala-Tenn Association Youth Work Weekend, Morgan-Scott Project
- Southern Alabama Youth Spring Mini-Camp, Laguna Beach, FL
- April 23 - Uplands Board of Directors
- April 25 - ICCOCP Meeting, Nashville churches

NICD Endorsement - Cont'd.

- First E&R, UCC, Nashville
- Dr. Lee McReynolds and Joy McReynolds
- Bonanza, UCC, Jonesboro, GA
- Rev. Floyd Carmack and Jerri Carmack
- Lanett Congregational Christian UCC
- Rev. David Chandler and Brenda Chandler
- Brookmeade UCC, Nashville
- Rev. Stephen Gray and Lennie Gray
- Pleasant Hill UCC, Pleasant Hill, TN
- Rev. Walter Hall and Peggy Hall
- Central Congregational UCC, Atlanta
- Rev. Edward Brown and Katherine Floyd
- Huntsville United Church
- Rev. Eugene Keen and Margaret Keen
- Pilgrim UCC, Birmingham
- Rev. Henry Tuttle and Jean Tuttle
- Southeast Conference Leadership
- Freda Brown — Moderator
- Dr. Emmett Floyd — Conference Minister
- Rev. Warren Blankenhorn — Associate Conference Minister

Curt's Nuggets

From the desk of Curtis Schumacher, Pleasant Hill, Tennessee:

The words "A little, but from the heart" are justifiable if one has but little.

OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION

Southeast Conference 1981 Yearly Report

CHURCHES BY CLUSTER	1981 GOAL	1981 TOTAL	CHURCHES BY CLUSTER	1981 GOAL	1981 TOTAL
Georgia-S.C. Association					
1. Sav.-Charleston Cluster			Robbins, Barton Ch.		200.00
Charleston, Circular		3,600.00	Sweetwater, First		250.00
Charleston, Plymouth		671.60	4. Montgomery Cluster		
Midway, Congregational		300.00	Marion, First		-0-
Savannah, First		1,000.00	Montgomery, First	1,760.00	1,300.00
2. Atlanta Cluster			Tougaloo, Union		175.00
Ambrose, Christian		-0-	Southern Alabama Area		
Atlanta, Carrol Hgts.		-0-	1. Central Alabama Assoc.		
Atlanta, Central	16,000.00	16,000.00	East Tallassee, C.C.	1,020.00	1,105.00
Atlanta, First	6,200.00	10,650.00	Eclectic, Watson's Ch.		100.00
Atlanta, Rush Mem.		-0-	2. S. Alabama-NW Florida Assoc.		
Barnesville, Fredonia		-0-	Andalusia, Antioch		750.00
Beachton, Evergreen	50.00	75.00	Andalusia, First		-0-
Bowman, Liberty	400.00	400.00	Baker, Good Hope		200.00
Braselton, Macedonia		-0-	Baker, Pyron Chapel		220.00
Buford, Duncan's Creek		-0-	Bonifay, New Effort		50.00
Demorest, Federated		700.00	Brantley, Indian Creek		-0-
Jonesboro, Bonanza	2,505.00	2,533.00	Brantley, Liberty		-0-
Lilburn, Button Gwinnett	2,500.00	1,889.41	Clio, New Hope		200.00
Macon, First		-0-	Headland, Blackwood		1,000.00
Marietta, Pilgrimage	3,500.00	2,575.44	3. East Alabama Association		
Richland, First	50.00	100.00	Alexander City, First		400.00
Thomasville, Bethany	200.00	200.00	Columbus, First	800.00	-0-
Alabama-Tennessee Association			Columbus, United		350.00
(Including *N. AL Assoc.)			Dadeville, Elder		680.00
1. Cullman Cluster			Five Points, State Line		75.00
Alpine, King's Chapel		-0-	LaFayette, Pleasant Grove		800.00
*Arley, C.C.		-0-	LaGrange, Hillside	500.00	500.00
Athens, Trinity		-0-	LaGrange, United		1,173.00
Belvidere, First	4,877.48	5,134.66	Lanett, C.C.		5,400.00
Birmingham, First		2,476.72	Lanett, Huguley		350.00
Birmingham, Pilgrim		9,850.00	Langdale, C.C.	4,000.00	4,496.00
*Caddo, First	913.00	913.00	Lineville, New Harmony		-0-
Cullman, St. John's	6,600.00	7,200.00	Phenix City, First	1,200.00	650.00
Garden City, C.C.	462.00	462.00	Phenix City, Russell W.		725.00
*Hackleburg, Fairview		-0-	Pine Mountain, Oak Grove	1,300.00	1,300.00
*Haleyville, Union Gr.		-0-	Pisgah		-0-
*Hanceville, Mt. Grove		240.00	Roanoke, Antioch	600.00	600.00
*Houston, Liberty Hill		-0-	Roanoke, Bethany		350.00
Huntsville, United	1,500.00	2,300.00	Roanoke, First	500.00	750.00
*Moulton, Jones Chapel	100.00	25.00	Roanoke, Forest Home		150.00
*Steele, Mt. Lebanon		-0-	Roanoke, Lowell	500.00	625.00
Talladega, First United	200.00	400.00	Roanoke, Mt. Zion		-0-
*Town Creek, Old Lib.		-0-	Roanoke, New Hope		600.00
2. Nashville Cluster			Roanoke, Rock Springs		-0-
Nashville, Brookmeade	2,300.00	2,600.00	Roanoke, Rock Stand	600.00	600.00
Nashville, First E&R	6,825.00	6,825.00	Shawmut, Todd		700.00
Nashville, Howard	600.00	600.00	Wadley, Beulah		-0-
3. Sweetwater Cluster			Wadley, Christian	200.00	400.00
Chattanooga, First		-0-	Wadley, Corinth		425.00
Chattanooga, Pilgrim	9,500.00	9,500.00	Wedowee, Cavers Gr.		50.00
Crossville, First		2,200.00	Wedowee, Noon Day		450.00
Deer Lodge, C.C.		107.00	West Point, Bethel		208.00
Fairfield Glade	1,409.24	1,409.24	Woodbury, Jones Chapel		500.00
Glen Mary, C.C.	250.00	250.00	TOTALS	\$87,271.72	\$129,857.57
Knoxville, Ch./Savior		150.00	NEW CHURCH DEVELOPMENT		7,642.76
Pleasant Hill, Comm.	7,000.00	7,025.00	GRAND TOTAL		\$137,500.33

Missionary In Our Midst

Mrs. Jane Cummings — Secretary of the Southeast Conference — member of Atlanta Central UCC — wife and mother of two children — is a “missionary in our midst.”

A citizen of England, Mrs. Cummings was born and educated in India. Following her marriage, she and her husband, Gordon, returned to India where they served the United Church Board for World Ministries as missionaries at the Christian Medical Hospital at Vellore from 1966-1973.

Since 1979, through a grant from UCBWM, Mrs. Cummings has developed the alumni program for the two schools she attended while growing up in India: Kodaikanal School and Woodstock School. Started by Congregational Christian missionaries, both served as missionary schools through 1970 and continue today as Christian international educational institutions.

In November of 1981 Mrs. Cummings returned to India for three weeks to visit Kodaikanal School and Woodstock School and consult on the alumni programs for both institutions.

Mrs. Cummings is available to make film and slide presentations about mission programs in general and the Indian schools which she serves in particular. For further information write: Jane Cummings, 675 Upton Road, N.W., Atlanta, GA 30318.

Thoughts for Stewards

Christian stewardship is the practice of systematic and proportionate giving of time, abilities and material possessions based on the conviction that these are a trust from God to be used in God's service for the benefit of all mankind in grateful acknowledgement of Christ's redeeming love.

Robert Peters

Peace Fund Established

A United Church of Christ Peace Fund has been established by the UCC Executive Council to strengthen existing efforts in public policy advocacy, peace education, and peace action.

The fund, requested by the UCC Office for Church in Society, will support efforts consistent with the peace witness and peace ministry of the UCC.

The initial goal for the fund is \$500,000.

For more information about this important fund, write: Mr. Jan Lintner, Office for Church in Society, United Church of Christ, 105 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016.



THE FIRST 25 YEARS (1957-81)

Social Policy Reviewed

“The United Church of Christ is a prophetic church,” begins the introduction to *Social Policy of the United Church of Christ: The First 25 Years [1957-81]*. “We take stands on the important issues of the day. Our social witness is central to our identity.”

Published by the UCC Office for Church in Society, *Social Policy* records the first 25 years of the UCC's history and witness in social issues.

“Since we came into being as a denomination in 1957, we have developed program and policy on a wide variety of concerns,” the booklet reads. “This policy builds upon and is faithful to the earlier history of our parent bodies: The Evangelical and Reformed Church and the Congregational Christian Churches.”

A well-organized booklet, *Social Policy* comprehensively covers the social concern of the UCC General Synod, Executive Council and social action agencies. This booklet should be of great interest to any church for pausing during this 25th Anniversary year to reflect upon the denomination's stand on social issues during the past 25 years.

The booklet *Social Policy of the United Church of Christ: The First 25 Years [1957-81]*, is \$2.50 (prepaid), and single copies of specific statements are 10c each or 7c per hundred (prepaid). Material may be ordered from:

United Church of Christ
Office for Church in Society
Church Leadership Resources
1400 N. Seventh St., Suite B
St. Louis, MO 63106

25th Celebrations Wanted!

Is your church planning a special celebration for the 25th Anniversary of the United Church of Christ on or about June 25, 1982?

If so, you are encouraged to send copies of any resource used in your 25th Anniversary celebration to the UCC Archives. Materials used to celebrate this important time in our denomination's history should be sent to:

Mrs. Florence Bricker
United Church of Christ Archives
555 West James St.
Lancaster, PA 17603

Be A Missionary Volunteer

Looking for something to do this summer, or feel like a vocational change of pace next year? The United Church of Christ might have something to interest you — voluntary service in the United States and Puerto Rico.

One-year volunteers are given room, board, insurance coverage, and a monthly stipend from the sponsoring agency. Agencies to choose from for one-year voluntary service include institutions such as homes for emotionally disturbed children, homes for the aging, or hospitals; community service agencies such as neighborhood houses or inner city churches; and community action organizing, or special team projects. Volunteers must pay their own travel expenses to the work project, but the agency pays the return expenses at the end of the volunteer period.

Persons interested in volunteering for summer service can choose from opportunities in camp staff service, community service, institutional service, or special projects such as national park ministry.

Candidates for summer service must be at least 18 years of age — candidates for some projects must be older — and usually need the equivalent of at least one year of work or college. Summer volunteers must pay their own travel expenses and a \$20 program fee, which includes insurance.

For more information, write: Mr. Carl Bade, United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, 132 West 31st Street, 178th Floor, New York, N.Y. 10001.

OGHS Cont'd.

to the hungry, the hurt, the disabled and the ill.

Plan to be generous in your support of One Great Hour of Sharing.

South Alabama Youth Events Planned

South Alabama youth are ready and waiting for spring and the advent of activities especially planned for youth and youth groups.

Getting the season underway will be a Spring Mini-Camp to be held April 23-25 at Laguna Beach, FL. A second Mini-Camp, designed for the whole family, is scheduled for July 30 - August 1 at the Boy Scout Camp, West Point, GA.

Caravan Camping trips to Elon Home for Children, Uplands Retirement Center and the World's Fair in Knoxville are also being scheduled.

Tennessee Association of Churches Meets

The State Assembly of the Tennessee Association of Churches was held November 5, 1981 at St. Paul's Church, Chattanooga, TN.

Representatives from 11 different denominations gathered to deliberate concerns affecting churches in the state.

Resolutions adopted by the State Assembly included calls for disarmament talks, filling the gaps created by federal budget cuts, work to combat racism and sexism perpetrated by groups like the Ku Klux Klan.

Representing the Southeast Conference at the Assembly was Dr. David Beebe.

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Two-thirds of the load taken to the Morgan-Scott Project by the East Alabama Association.

East Alabama Trucks Christmas Gifts

In response to the need for clothes and toys for the Morgan-Scott Christmas Stores, the churches of the East Alabama Association responded in a big way!

Over 250 boxes of new and used clothing, plus innumerable toys, were donated by Association churches and delivered to the Morgan-Scott Project by truck on December 18-19, 1981.

Delivering the gifts were Leon Lee, President of the East Alabama Men's Fellowship, Bill Tweed, Director of Caravan Camping for the Southern Alabama Area and Warren Blankenhorn, Associate Conference Minister.

Churches in other Southeast Conference associations also contributed to this project.

Weekend Events On Ala-Tenn Youth Calendar

The youth of the Alabama-Tennessee Association have two weekend events planned, comprising their program for this spring.

The first event, a Pop-In, will be held at Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC in Chattanooga Friday through Sunday, March 5-7, 1982. For youth, grades 7-12, the Pop-In program will be "Church Vocations" and will feature participation in the Ecclesiastical Council to be held at Pilgrim Church on Saturday, March 6, 1982.

The second event, scheduled for Friday through Sunday, April 23-25, 1982, will be a Work Weekend to be held at the Morgan-Scott Project, Sunbright, TN.

Details on both events will be mailed to Association churches.

Youth Lodging For World's Fair

Is your youth group looking for some affordable way to attend the World's Fair this summer in Knoxville, TN?

Church of the Savior, UCC, located on Weisgarber & Lonas Roads in Knoxville is offering its facilities to youth groups and adult advisors for "on the floor" overnight accommodations.

Cost per person per night is \$1 and groups must have one adult advisor for every 15 young people. Groups may have use of the facility from 6 P.M. - 8 A.M. Arrangements for showers will need to be made with a nearby YMCA.

The church has a list of rules for groups wishing to reserve the facilities. Reservations should be made early since 11 groups are already booked. To make reservations for your group, write to: Rev. John Lackey, Church of the Savior, UCC, Weisgarber & Lonas Roads, Knoxville, TN 37919.

UCC vs. TV Ministries: Compare

Have you ever wondered where all the money goes that is given to TV ministries? Here are the annual budgets and programs of the major TV ministries:

Oral Roberts	\$60 million
PTL Club	25 million
Robert Schuller	11 million
Christian Broadcasting Network	58 million
Rex Humbard	38 million
Armstrongs	65 million
Jerry Falwell	33 million
700 Club	30 million
Billy Graham	38 million

These TV ministers total \$358 million and support 3 churches, 5 schools, 1 hospital, TV and radio ministries, and some mission work (actual figures unavailable.)

Compare, now the United Church of Christ. According to the 1979 Yearbook, the UCC had a total giving in its churches in the amount of \$290 million. These funds support: 6,467 local churches, 39 conferences, our national offices and instrumentalities, 2 academies, 30 colleges, 15 seminaries, 250 missionaries and volunteers in 40 countries, emergency relief in 70 countries, 84 homes for the aging, 5 homes for the disabled, 14 hospitals, 12 agencies for service to children, camp and conference centers, and radio and TV spot announcements.

OCWM — Our Christian World Mission — is an investment that we can be proud of!



NEWS & NOTES

The Floyd Room honoring Conference Minister Emmett Floyd and his wife, Katherine, was dedicated on Sunday, January 10 at the halfway house for transients maintained by the Greensboro Urban Union in North Carolina. The Congregational United Church of Christ in Greensboro, the former pastorate of Dr. Floyd, chose the furnishing of a room in that house as a way of honoring Emmett and Katherine for their years in Greensboro.

David Larson, son of Madge and Art Larson who reside at Uplands Retirement Center, Pleasant Hill, TN, was invited to Tokyo by the Hymnal Committee of the United Church of Christ in Japan, which is preparing a new edition of its 1954 Hymnal. Mr. Larson has a one year appointment to teach at Kobe College in Nishinomiya, Japan.

Brooklawn Children's Home is selling cookbooks for \$5 each. Orders should be sent to: P.O. Box 32336, Louisville, KY 40232.

Arnold and Pauline Slater will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on February 6, 1982. Rev. Slater was pastor of Pilgrim Congregational Church, UCC in Chattanooga for 26 years.

Mr. Bill Bosworth recently joined the staff of St. John's UCC in Cullman, AL where he will serve as Minister of Education and Youth. A Diaconal Minister in the United Methodist Church, he is married and has two children.

A Memorial Service will be held March 28 at Pleasant Hill Community Church for Elizabeth Bogle, wife of Rev. Joe Bogle. Mrs. Bogle died January 17, 1982.

Women Can Make A Difference

Yvonne Delk, Executive Director of the UCC Office for Church in Society, during the Southern Regional Meeting of United Church of Christ Women:

"We as women need to develop the gift of discernment, to look at the issues from more than one angle. We need the gift of vision — let us dream dreams and come up with vision and alternative ways of doing things. We need presence. Sixty-two percent of the UCC is women. We can make a difference. We must develop our gifts and insights, and use them."

First E&R Purchases Van

The congregation of First Evangelical & Reformed Church, UCC in Nashville, TN recently purchased a new 15-passenger Dodge Van for use in church activities.

The idea for the van originated with the Youth Group, who established a "Van Fund" in 1979 and spearheaded the effort by holding dinners at the church and other money-raising ventures.

In addition to providing transportation to church on Sundays, the van is used by the Women's Fellowship, young adults and other groups with the church for special activities and trips.

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